## THE L. A. KINSEY CO. INCORPORATED. CAPITAL, \$25,000-FULL PAID.

No. 4 mixed, 15c; ear corn, 17c.

Butter-Country, choice, 10c; mixed, 6c.

Beeswax-50c for yellow; 25c for dark. Honey-11615c per lb.

Poultry and Other Produce.

(Prices paid by shippers.)

Feathers-Prime geese, 10c per .lb; prime duck

6617c per lb. Wool-Medium unwashed, 12c; fine merino, un-

HIDES, TALLOW, ETC.

Green-salted Hides-No. 1, 61/2c; No. 2, 51/2c; No.

THE JOBBING TRADE.

of the wholesale dealers.)

Canned Goods.

Candies and Nuts.

Coal and Coke.

Anthracite coal, \$7 per ton: Pittsburg lump \$3.75; Brazil block, \$2.75; Winifrede lump, \$3.75

Paragon lump, \$2.50; Greene county nut, \$2.50; Blossburg coal, \$4.50; crushed coke, \$3 per 25 bu; lump coke, \$2.75; foundry coke, \$6 per ton.

Drugs.

@4c; camphor, 50@55c; cochineal, 50@55c; chloro-form, 65@70c; copperas, brls, 35@40c; cream tar-

tar, pure, 30@32e; indigo, 65@80e; licorice, Calab.,

genuine, 20@40c; magnesia, carb., 2-oz. 25@35c; morphine, P. & W., per oz. \$1.75@2; madder, 14@16c; oil, castor, per gal, \$1.05@1.10; off, bergamot, per lb. \$2.75; opium, \$2.40@2.50; quinine, P. & W., per oz. 27@32c; balsam copaiba, 60@70c; soap, castile, Fr., 12@16c; soda, bicarb., 4½@6c; salts, Epsom, 4@5c; sulphur, flour, 5@6c; saltsater, \$2.

Dry Goods.

Bleached Sheetings—Androscoggin L. 64c; Berkley, No. 60, 75c; Cabot, 6c; Capitol, 55c; Cumberland, 6c; Dwight Anchor, 75c; Fruit of

the Loom, 61/6; Farwell, 64c; Fitzhville, 54c; Fu l

Width, 5½c; Gilt Edge, 5c; Gilded Age, 4½c; Hill, 6c; Hope, 6c; Linwood, 6½c; Lonsdale, 6½c; Peabody, 5c; Pride of the West, 10½c; Ten Strike, 5½c; Pepperell, 9-4, 15½c; Pepperell, 10-4, 17c; Androscoggin, 9-4, 16c; Androscoggin, 19-4,

Flour.

Groceries.

Sugars-City Prices-Dominoes, 5.12c; cut loaf,

.25c; crushed, 5.25c; powdered, 4.87c; granulated,

4.62c; fine granulated, 4.62c; extra fine granulated, 4.75c; coarse granulated, 4.75c; cubes, 4.87c; XXXX powdered, 5c; mold A, 4.87c; diamond A, 4.62c; confectioners' A, 4.50c; 1 Columbia A—

4-brl. \$28.56. Fatra charge for printing.

fornia, 412@5c per lb. Shot-\$1.25@1.30 per bag for drop.

painted, \$1.75.

brands; seconds, 1/2c less.

\$12.50; rump pork, \$9.

Celery-15@25c.

Gr; light weight, \$5.50.

Cabbage-606:70c per byl.

Potatoes-75@80c per brl.

pushel crates, \$2602.2

Salt—In car lots, 75c; small lots, 80@85c. Spices—Pepper, 10@18c; allspice, 10@15c; cloves, 15@20c; cassia, 13@15c; nutmegs, 65@75c per lb.

Molasses and Syrups-New Orleans molasses.

air to prime, 20@30c; choice, 35@40c; syrups, 15

Woodenware—No. 1 tubs, \$6@6.25; No. 2 tubs, \$5.25@5.50; No. 3 tubs, \$4.25@4.50; 3-hoop pails, \$1.40@1.50; 2-hoop pails, \$1.15@1.20; double wash-boards, \$2.25@2.75; common washboards, \$1.25@

1.50; clothes pins, 40@50c per box. Wood Dishes-No. 1. per 1,000, \$2.50; No. 2, \$3; No. 3, \$3.50; No. 5, \$4.50.

Lead-61/67c for pressed bars. Twine-Hemp. 12@18c per ib; wool, 8@10c; flax, 20@30c; paper, 25c; jute, 15@15c; cotton, 16@25c.

Game.

Leather.

Leather—Oak sole, 24@29c; hemlock sole, 23@28c; harness, 26@33c; skirting, 24@41c; single strap, 32@36c; city kip, 60@70c; French kip, 90c@\$1.20; city calfskin, 90c@\$1.10; French calfskin,

Nails and Horseshoes.

Steel cut nails, \$1.75; wire nails, from store, \$1.9062 rates; from mill, \$1.75 rates. Horseshoes,

per keg. \$3.50; mule shoes, per keg. \$4.50; horse nails, \$425 per box. Barb wire, galvanized, \$2;

Provisions.

Bacon-Clear sides, 40 to 50 lbs average, 6c;

30 to 40 lbs average, 64c; 20 to 30 lbs average,

616c; bellies, 25 lbs average, 51/2c; 14 to 15 lbs av-

erage, 5%c; 10 to 12 lbs average, 6%c. Clear backs, 20 to 30 lbs average, 5%c; 10 to 14 lbs aver-

age, 6c; 7 to 9 lbs average, 64c. In dry-salts, 4c less.

Hams-Sugar-cured, 18 to 20 lbs average, 10c; 15 lbs average, 104c; 10 lbs average, 114c; 10 lbs average, 114c; block hams, 10@104c; all first brands; seconds lbc less

Breakfast Bacon-Clear firsts, 11c; seconds, 9c.

10 to 12 lbs average, 614c. Pickled Pork-Bean pork, clear, per brl, 260 lbs

Produce, Fruits and Vegetables.

Bananas-Per bunch, No. 1, \$1.50; No. 2, \$1

Apples-Price ranging with quality, \$1 per brl;

Cheese-New York full cream, 10@12c; skims,

Grapes-5-1b baskets, 1214c; Malaga grapes, \$6.50

is mons-Messina, choice, \$3.25 per box; fancy

Oranges-Mexicans, \$3.75@4 per box; California

oranges, \$464.50 per box. Onions-\$1.5061.55 per brl; Spanish, \$1.50

Sweet Potatoes-Baltimore, \$1.50@1.75 per

Jersey sweets, \$1.75@2 per bri. Cranberries-\$567 per bri. according to quality

New Cider-\$3.25 per bri; \$1.75@2 per half bri. Pineappies-\$2@2.50 per doz.

Window Glass.

Lard-Kettle rendered, in tierces, 5%c; pure

lders-English-cured, 16 lbs average, 6%c;

Ducks-Mallard, \$2.50 per doz; teals, \$2 doz; squirrels, 90c@\$1 per doz; rabbits, 70@80c per doz; quails, \$1.25@1.50.

3,65c: 15 yellow, 2,50c.

Alcohol, \$2.32@2.50; asafetida, 25@30c; alum, 21/2

Jackson lump, \$3.50; Greene county, lump,

## -DEALERS-Chicago Grain and Provisions, New York Stocks.

FRANCH-National Bleck, Terre Heute, Ind. Long Distance Telephone, 1375. 11 and 13 WEST PEARL STREET.

## BUSINESS DULI

SALES ON 'CHANGE YESTERDAY REACHED ONLY 59,793 SHARES.

Weakness in Certain Specialties Ow ing to Threatened Legislation-Local Markets Quiet.

At New York yesterday money on call was easy at 14/62 per cent.; last loan, 11/2; closed, 11/202 per cent.

Prime mercantile paper, 31/2041/2 per cent. Sterling exchange was firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at \$4.87% for demand and \$4.83% 64.84 for sixty days; posted rates, \$4.841/2 and \$4.88; commercial bills. \$4.82\\@4.82\\.

Bar silver, 65%c; silver certificates, 68%c; Mexican dollars, 50%c. At London silver closed at 29 15-16d per ounce.

Total sales of stocks were 59,793 shares, including: American Sugar, 9,600; Burlington, 5,600; Consolidated Gas, 9,000; Reading, 5,600; St. Paul, 6,700; silver certificates, \$41,000 The New York stock market yesterday re-

flected a general disposition to carry lines over the three holidays and in consequence the trading, as a rule, lacked significance, At intervals the stock indicator was motionless and the fluctuations recorded were In the main narrow. London prices for American securities came higher, but the arbitrage operations were on a very limited scale. In specialties some wide changes were noted. The continued cheap gas agiwere noted. The continued cheap gas agitation and suggestions of impending unfavorable legislation at Albany were responsible for decided weakness in the local gas | gal; in half bris, 3c per gal extra. shares. Consolidated declined 41/2 to 1391/2 and appeared to be obsolutely without sup-port, but later rallied on covering to 141. Island was also a prominent feature and after a decline of 3 per cent. to 42, was offered down to 37½ on sellers' sixty-day options. The stock closed at 25 bid, 30 asked. The unfavorable predictions in ref-erence to the dividend due in February have resulted in fairly extensive liquidation in the stock recently. Delaware & Hudson, on moderate dealings, made a spirited advance of 114 per cent. and Manhattan also rose sharply, but falled to hold the improvement. The general market exhibited firmness throughout, with the Vanderbilt shares prominent. In this group New York Central advanced 1% per cent, to 33% and closed at 94 bid. The declaration of the regular quarterly dividend of 1% per cent. on Lackawanna exerted a strengthening influence on the anthracite coal stocks, but business in them, as in other shares, was at a minimum. The 2 per cent. disburse-ment on Rubber common, reported late yes-terday, was followed to-day by a gain of 1% per cent, in the stock, but the preferred appeared to be marketed and lost an imortant fraction. The market closed firm at slight net gains.

Kid-finished Cambrics—Edwards, 3%c; Warren, 3%c; Slater, 3%c; Genesee, 3%c.

Grain Bags—Amoskeag, \$11.50; American, \$11.50; Franklinville, \$13.50; Harmony, \$11; Stark, \$14.50.

Tickings—Amoskeag ACA, 10%c; Conestoga BF, 12%c; Cordis 140, 9%c; Cordis FT, 10c; Cordis ACE, 11%c; Hamilton awnings, 9c; Kimono fancy, 17c; Lenox fancy, 18c; Methuen AA, 10c; Oakland AF, 6c; Portsmouth, 10%c; Susquehanna, 12%c; Shetucket SW, 6%c; Shetucket F, 7c; Swift River, 5%c.

Flour. Railway bonds were stagnant, but generally firm on narrow changes. The sales were \$748,000. Government bonds were extremely dull, but were steady on sales of Silver certificates were active but a shade lower on dealings of \$41,000.

The Stock Exchange will be closed on account of the Christmas holidays until Mon-Straight grades, \$5@5.25; fancy grades, \$5.50@ 5.75; patent flour, \$5.50@5.75; low grades, \$3.75@4.

The following table, prepa Room, 11, Board of Trade, quotations:	red	by L.	W. I	Louis, ge of
Op	en.	High-		
Adams Express		est.	est.	ing.
Alton & Terre Haute	****	****	777	109
American Spirits	11%	1134	11%	11%
American Spirits pref	10	11046	110	110%
American Sugar pref			****	100
American Tobacco pref		79%	7894	7814
Baltimore & Ohio	131/2	1314	131/2	131/2
Cenada Pacific	****	****	****	15 54%
Canada Southern	461/3	4616	4616	14%
Chesapeake & Ohio	16	16	16	16
Chicago & Alton	0%	70%	70%	70%
C. & E. I. pref		73	701	95
C., C., C. & St. L.		****	7214	72%
Commercial Cable Co Consolidated Gas	••••	****	****	*150
Cotton Oil			****	140%
Cotton Oil pref	****		****	53 121
D. L & W		***	****	1501/2
Deaver & Rio Grande pref		****	****	14%
Erie first pref	2000			32
Erie second pref		****	****	20 162
General Electric	3154	32	31%	31%
Great Northern pref	1.00	****	****	118
Hinois Central		****		91
Lake Erie & W		****	****	27 16%
Lake Erie & W. pref Lake Shore		****		68 15314
Lead Trust		****	****	2214
Louisville & Nashville Louisville & New Albany		48	47%	473%
Manhattan	7774	881/4	87%	871/4
Missouri Pacific		****	****	90
New York Central10	70)		9914	9914
N. Y. & N. F		931/2	92%	901/4
Northern Pacific pref		****	****	12%
Northwestern	111	1011/2	1011/2	22
Pacific Mail	3%	2374	2376	2334
Peoria. D. & E			****	2
P. C. & St. L. pref		****	•	151
Reading	5%	25%	25%	2556
St. Paul	226	73%	73%	7334
St. Paul & Omaha		****	****	320 47
St. Paul & Omaha pref		****	****	127
Tennessee Coal and Iron	***		ende	14
Texas Pacific		****		X*4
T., St. L. & K. C. pref	***	****	****	10
Union Pacific	9	314	- 3	61
U. S. Leather pref	1134	6115	6114	40 C11/4
U. S. Rubber pref		****	****	27
Wabash St L & P		****	****	*76 £34
Wabash, St. L. & P. prof Wells-rargo Express		****		15%
Western Union	214	2.16	2:12	50
Wheeling & Lake Erie oref .		****		27
U. S. fours, reg	***	****	****	100%

fours, new, coup..... ... ... .... ·Ex. dividend. Thursday's Bank Clearings.

S, fours, new, reg......

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At Chicago-Clearings, \$14,517,417. Money steady and uncoanged. New York ex hange par. Foreign exchange, demand, \$4.87%; sixty toys, \$4.3%. The Stock Exchange will be closed facuctey. At Baltimore-Clearings, \$2,178,369; balances, At Philadelphia-Clearings, \$5,596, si6; palances, St. Louis-Clearings, \$2,737,597; balances, At Memphis New York exchange selling at I premium. Clearings, \$317.216; balan es, 251.621. Cincinnati-Clearings, \$2.112 550. New York-Clearings, \$26,686,314; balances, Boston-Clearings, \$13,666.254; balances,

LOCAL GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

ing the mills in operation. The seed market is quiet, and prices unchanged. The hide market the last few days has been more active, indica-

tions pointing to higher prices.

In grain circles yesterday but little was doing.
and no markets will be reported after to-day

until Monday. The day closed with ids ruling as follows: t-No. 2 red. See; No. 3 red. 86285c; No.

. 77@82c; Wagon Wher,t, & ...

n-No. 2 white, 21c; No. 3 white, 21c; No. 11te, 21c; No. 4 white, 17c; No. 2 white, 4, 20c; No. 2 white mixed, 20c; No. 4 white 4, 16c; No. 2 yellow, 30c; No. 3 rellow, 20c;

Trade Rather Quiet, with No Changes

in Values of Importance.

As usual preceding Christmas day, trade on the Frice per box of 50 square feet. Discount, sholesale streets was very quiet. A large per 8x8 to 16x15—Single: AA, \$7; A, \$6.50; B, \$6 C, \$6. Double: AA, \$9.50; A, \$8.50; B, \$8.25. Half and 12x18 to 16x24—Single: AA, \$8; cent, of the houses practically closed down at noon. On Commission row in the forenoon there \$7.25; B, \$7. Double: AA, {10.75; A, \$9.25; was considerable activity. Sales of fruit, celery and luxuries generally have been quite large. Some fine California cranges are now offered. The present week the arrivals of apples from the

18x20 and 20x20 to 20x30-Single: AA. \$10.50; 18x20 and 20x20 to 20x30—Single: AA, \$10.50; A, \$9.50; B, \$9. Double: AA, \$14; A, \$12.75; B, \$12. 15x36 to 24x30—Single: AA, \$11.50; A, \$10; B, \$9.25. Double: AA, \$15.25; A, \$13.75; B, \$12.25. 26x28 to 24x36—Single: AA, \$12; A, \$10.50; B, \$9.50. Double: AA, \$16; A, \$14.50; B, \$12.25. 26x34, 28x32 and 30x30 to 26x44—Single: AA, \$12.75; A, \$11.75; B, \$10.25. Double: AA, \$17.25; A, \$15.50; B, \$14. Fast have been large and of a superior quality. The poultry and egg market ruled steady at prices quoted. There is an impression that should 26x46 to 30x50-Single: AA, \$15; A. \$13.50; \$12. Double: AA, \$19.75; A, \$18; B, \$16. 30x42 to 30x54 Single: AA, \$16.50; A, \$14.75; \$12.25. Double: AA, \$21.50; A, \$19.75; B, \$16.50. Especially is this true of rabbits and qualis. Provisions are moving freely, and prices steady. Re-34x58 to 34x60—Single: AA. \$17.25; A. \$15.75; \$14.50. Double: AA, \$22.75; A. \$21.25; B. \$20. ceipts of hogs continue large, and the packing ouses are pushing business. Flour rules firm and steady, best grades at \$6 a barrel. The local mills are practically idle, being unable to get the wheat they require in such quantities as they desire at prices which will justify them in keep-

Clover-Choice recleaned, 60 lbs. \$3.75@4; prime, \$4.25@4.75; English, choice, \$4@4.50; prime, \$4.25@ 4.75; alsike, choice, \$4.75@5; alfalfa, choice, \$4.50 66; crimson or scarlet clover, \$2.75@3; timothy, 45 lbs. choice, \$1.50@1.60; strictly prime, \$1.50@ 1.60; fancy Kentucky, 14 lbs. \$1.50@1.60; extra clean, 70630c; orchard grass, extra, \$3.25; red top, choice, \$1@1.25; English blue grass, 24 lbs,

Tinners' Supplies.

No. 4 yellow, 15c; No. 2 mixed, 20c; No. 3 mixed 20c; No. 4 mixed, 15c; ear corn, 17c. BETTER TONE TO WHEAT Oats-No. 2 white, 2116c; No. 3 white, 1916c; No.

2 mixed, 18c; No. 3 mixed, 18c. Hay—No. 1 timothy, \$8.25@9.25; No. 2 timothy, \$7.25@7.50; prairie, \$6@6.50. LITTLE SPECULATION AT CHICAGO AND PRICES ADVANCED. Poultry-Hens, 51/2c; springs, 51/2c; cocks, 3c; young turkeys, 9 lb, 91/2c; toms, 8c; old hen turkeys, 7c; old toms, 7c; ducks, 61/2c; geese, 40c for full feathered; 30c for plucked.

No Material Change in Corn, Oats or Provisions-No More Market Business Until Monday.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.-Wheat, after trying to divide its favors equally between bulls | @271/20 2 calf, 8c; No. 2 calf, 6½c. Grease-White, 3%c; yellow, 2%c; brown, 2%c. Tallow-No. 1, 3c; No. 2, 2%c. Bones-Dry, \$12613 per ton. and bears, finally showed its preference for the bulls and closed at an advance of 1/201%c. Business in all departments had very much of a holiday character and there was not enough change in prices outside of wheat to call for comment. There (The quotations given below are the selling prices will be no session of the Board of Trade until Monday.

Corn. 60@\$1.25. Peaches-Standard 3-lb. \$1.50@ Although wheat opened %c higher than it 1.75; seconds, \$1@1.10; 3-1b pie, 75@80c; California standard, \$1.75@2; California seconds, \$1.40@1.50. closed yesterday, it had probably the tamstandard, \$1.75@2: California seconds, \$1.46@1.50.

Miscellaneous—Blackberries, 2-lb, 65@70c; raspberries, 2-lb, 90@95c; pineapples, standard, 2-lb,
\$1.10@1.25; choice, \$2@2.50; cove oysters, 1-lb, full
weight, 55@95c; light, 60@65c; string beans, 70@
50c; Lima beans, \$1.10@1.20c; peas, marrowfats,
85c@\$1.10, early June, 90c@\$1.10; lobsters, \$1.85@
2; red cherries, 90c@\$1; strawberries, 90@95c; salmon, 1-lb, \$1.10@2; 3-lb tomatoes, 80@85c. est start since the day before Christmas a year ago. The situation was without change of moment, so that the local speculative position was left to adjust itself calmly and without pressure to the exigencies of a three days' tie-up of business. Candies-Stick, 6½c per lb; common mixed, 5½c per lb; G. A. R. mixed, 7c; Banner stick, 16c; cream mixed, 9c; old-time mixed, 7½c.

Nuts-Soft-shelled almonds, 12@16c; English walnuts, 12c; Brazil nuts, 10c; filb-rts, 11c; peanuts, roasted, 12c; mixed nuts, 11@12c. Liverpool opened with 4d added to the previous day's closing quotations, and, the Northwestern receipts were again small, The number of carloads received at Minneapolis and Duluth was 339, compared with 446 on Thursday a week ago. Chicago got The following are the prices on coal and coke, as retailed in this market: 30 cars and 148,000 bu were inspected out of

regular warehouses. The tone of the market was rather heavy o'clock May, which closed yesterday at gradually sagged to 814c. It rose again when at the latter price rumors of considerable cash business in wheat for shipment to country mills began to be circulated. The market kept nrm during the last hour, although there was no accession to the volume of business. The good cash demand for milling, the rumor of liberal engagements to go to the seaboard by rail. the nrm closing cables all helped to sustain prices. The editor of the Liverpool Corn Trade News cabled that wheat and flour on ocean passage would decrease heavily in the next two weeks, and that caused the heavy Liverpool buying of wheat in New York, observable there for some days. The market here became strong on that, and closed at 81%c, the aighest prices of the day. Corn was slow but held steady, fluctuating only 1/8c, with an easier undertone. The local receipts were above the estimate, but cables were strong and clearances from the seaboard large-about \$50,000 bu. The firm tone to wheat caused corn to close 11-16c over its closing price yesterday. May opened unchanged, at 25%c, sold between

Brown Sheetings—Atlantic A. 6c; Argyle, 5c; Boott C. 5c; Buck's Head, 6c; Clifton CCC, 5½c; Constitution, 40-inch, 6½c; Carlisle, 40-inch, 7½c; Dwight's Star, 7½c; Great Falls E. 6c; Great Falls J. 4½c; Hill Fine, 6½c; Indian Head, 6c; Pepperell R. 5½c; Pepperell, 9-4, 14c; Androscoggin, 9-4, 15c; Androscoggin, 10-4, 17c. tant. Prices confined to a range of 1/8c and held about steady to a shade higher. May opened a shade higher, at 20c, sold at 19%c and closed with sellers at 26c. coggin, 9-4, 15c; Androscoggin, 10-4, 17c.

Prints—Allen dress styles, 4½c; Allen's staples, 4½c; Allen TR, 4½c; Allen's robes, 5c; American indigo, 4½c; Arnold LLC, 6¾c; Cocheco fancy, 5c; Cocheco madders, 4½c; Hamilton fancy, 5c; Merrimac pinks and purples, 5½c; Pacific fancy, 5c; Simpson fancy, 5c; Simpson berlin solids, 5c; Simpson's oil finish, 6c; American shirting, 4c.

Ginghams—Amoskeag staples, 5c; Amoskeag Persian dress, 6c; Bates Warwick dress, 5½c; Lancaster, 5c; Lancaster, 5c; Calcutta dress styles, 4½c; tenten Heather, 6c; Calcutta dress styles, 4½c; There was a fair trade in the cash department and no material change in prices. Provisions were just as dull as the other All sold early. markets, business being almost enteirely loshowed comparatively no change. A slight decline followed free offerings by packers, which was recovered with the closing strength of wheat. May pork closed a shade higher, at #.87½@7.90. May lard a tenten Heather, 6c; Calcutta dress styles, 4½c; Kid-finished Cambrics—Edwards, 3%c; Warren, shade higher, at \$3.971/264; May ribs unchanged, at \$3.971/2. Estimated receipts for Saturday-Wheat, 31 cars; corn, 325; oats, 275; hogs, 19,000 head. Leading futures ranged as follows:

25% 25% c, closed steady, at 25% 251/2c.

Oats tame, with sales few and unimpor-

Open- High- Low- Clos Wheat-Dec Oats-Dec Pork—Jan 87.60 \$7.60 \$7.55 \$7.57 \(\frac{1}{2}\)
May 7.90 7.92\(\frac{1}{2}\) 7.85 7.90

Lard—Jan 3.80 3.80 3.77\(\frac{1}{2}\) 3.77\(\frac{1}{2}\)
May 4.00 4.00 3.97\(\frac{1}{2}\) 3.80

May 4.00 4.00 3.97\(\frac{1}{2}\) 3.80

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May 4.00 4.00 3.97\(\frac{1}{2}\) 3.87\(\frac{1}{2}\) Cash quotations were as follows: Flour steady.

Keystone A. 4.25c; 2 Windsor A—American A. 4.25c; 3 Ridgewood A—Centennial A. 4.25c; 4 Phoenix A—California A. 4.19c; 5 Empire A—Franklin B. 4.12c; 6 Ideal Golden Ex. C—Keystone No. 2 spring wheat, 7814@78%c; No. 3 spring wheat, 76c; No. 2 red, 90%@91c. No. 2 corn, 22%@ Franklin B, 4.12c; 6 Ideal Golden Ex. C.—Keystone B, 4.06c; 7 Windsor Ex. C.—American B, 4c; 8 Ridgewood Ex. C.—Centennial B, 3.94c; 9 yellow Ex. C.—California B, 3.87c; 10 yellow C.—Franklin Ex. C, 3.81c; 11 yellow—Keystone Ex. C, 3.75c; 12 yellow—American Ex. C, 3.63c; 13 yellow—Centennial Ex. C, 3.62c; 14 yellow—California Ex. C, 3.65c; 15 yellow, 2.50c; 16 yellow, 2.50c; 17 yellow, 2.50c; 18 yellow—Centennial Ex. C, 3.63c; 19 yellow—Centennial Ex. C, 3.63c; 19 yellow—Centennial Ex. C, 3.65c; 19 yellow—California Ex. C, 3.65c; 15 yellow, 2.50c; 17 yellow—California Ex. C, 3.65c; 18 yellow—California Ex. C, 3.65c; 19 yellow—California Ex. C, 3.65c; 15 yellow, 2.50c; 18 yellow—California Ex. C, 3.65c; 15 yellow, 2.50c; 19 yellow—California Ex. C, 3.65c; 15 yellow—California Ex. C, 3.65c; 15 yellow—California Ex. C, 3.65c; 15 yellow—California Ex. C, 3.65c; 16 yellow—California Ex. C, 3.65c; 17 yellow—California Ex. C, 3.65c; 18 yellow—California Ex. C, 3.65c; 19 yellow—Californi boxed, \$4.25@4.50. Short-clear sides, boxed, \$4@ Coffee Good, 17@18c; prime, 18@20c; strictly prime, 20@22c; fancy green ard yellow, 22@24c; Java, 28@32c. Roasted-Old Covernment Java, Receipts-Flour, 3,000 brls; wheat, 18,000 corn, 188,000 bu; cats, 254,000 bu; rye, 4,000 tu; barley, 37,000 bu. Shipments-Flour, 5,000 bris: 321-623c; golden Rio, 24c; Bourbon Santos, 24c; Gilded Santos, 24c; prime Santos, 23c; package wheat, 23,000 bu; corn, 52,000 bu; oats, 204,000 ba; Flour Sacks (paper)—Plain, 1-32 brl, per 1,000, \$3.50; 1-16 brl, \$5; \(\frac{1}{2}\)-brl, \$8; \(\frac{1}{2}\)-brl, \$16; No. 2 drab, plain, 1-32 brl, per 1,000, \$4.25; 1-16 brl, \$6.50; \(\frac{1}{2}\)-brl, \$10; \(\frac{1}{2}\)-brl, \$20; No. 1 cream, plain, 1-32 brl, per 1,000, \$7; 1-16 brl, \$8.75; \(\frac{1}{2}\)-brl, \$14.50; barley, 32,000 bu.

AT NEW YORK.

Ruling Prices in Produce at the Seaboard's Commercial Metropolis. steady. Rye flour dull. Buckwheat flour dull at \$1.25. Buckwheat quiet at 35c. Corn meal dull. Rye nominal. Barley steady; Western, 281/2e. Barley malt nominal.

Wheat-Receipts, 56,460 bu; exports, 16,780 bu. Spot firm; No. 1 hard, 951/2c. Options opened firm, Ric-Louisiana, 465c; Carolina, 44664c.

Beans-Choice hand-picked navy, \$1.0561.10 per bu: medium hand-picked, \$161.05; Limas, Cali-strength was based on first cables, local covering fair all day, closing at 1/6% e net advance. The Corn—Receipts, 58,500 bu; exports, 164,613 bu. Spot firmer; No. 2, 29½c. Options quiet but firm all day, with wheat, closing %@%c net higher. May, 31%@31%c, closed at 31%c; December closed at 29%c. Oats—Receipts, 26,400 bu; exports, 27,603 bu. Spot firm; No. 2, 22%@23%c. Options inactive and featureless, closing unchanged. May closed at 244c; December, 22½c; closed at 22½c. Hay quiet. Hops steady; Pacific coast, 1895 crop, 31/671/2c. Hides quiet. Leather quiet. Wool Beef dull. Cut meats firm; pickled bellies, 4% 4%c; pickled shoulders, 41/2c; pickled hams, 81/40 8%c. Lard easy; Western steam, \$4.071/2; refined steady. Pork steady. Tallow dull. Coffee-Options opened steady, with prices to points higher; ruled fairly active on covering, following favorable cables and smaller receipts at Brazilian ports; closed irregular at .15@.20 advance. Sales, 15,000 bags, including: Decem ber, 9,55@9,60c; March, 9,60@9,65c. Spot coffee-Rio quiet: No. 7 invoice, 10c; jobbing, 101/2c; mild quiet; Cordova, 1512@17c. Sales, 6,000 bags Maracalbo p. t. Rio-Receipts, 2,000 bags; cleared for the United States, 4,000 bags; for Europe, 9,000 bags; stock, 309,000 bags, Total warehouse deliveries from the United States, 7,247 bags, including 5,829 bags from New York; New York stock to-day, 380,254 bags; United States stock.

> Sugar-Raw easy; fair refining, 2 13-16c; centrifugal, 36 test, 3 3-16c; refined quiet. TRADE IN GENERAL.

bags, against 593,444 bags last year.

432,675 bags; affoat for the United States, 309,000 bags; total visible for the United States, 741,675

Quotations at St. Louis, Baltimore, Cincinnati and Other Places. ST. LOUIS, Dec. 24.-Flour dull and unchanged

Wheat-Futures closed unsettled at but slight changes from yesterday. There was no business this morning, and very little attention was paid to the market, the pit being almost deserted most of the time. There was very little news of mportance. Spot easy; No. 2 red, cash, elevator, track, 90@93c; No. 2 hard, cash, 79c nominal December, 91%c; May, 90%c bid. Corn-Futures dull and easier. Spot steady; No. 2, cash. 206 20%c; December, 20e asked; May, 22%c bid. Oats-Futures dull. Spot steady: No. 2, cash, 17c bid. Barley dull; malting, 30@40c, Corn meal, \$1.35. Bran dull and unchanged; sacked, east side, nomnally 29c. Flaxseed better at 721c. Prime timothy seed. \$2.40. Hay quiet and steady; timothy, \$6@10.50; prairie, \$4@7.50. Butter unchanged. Eggs quiet at 14c. Whisky, \$1.18. Pork easy; standard mess, jobbing, \$7.10@7.35. Lard unchanged; prim steam, \$3.60; choice, \$3.70. Bacon-Boxed shoulders, \$4.55; extra short clear, \$4.62½; ribs, \$4.76; shorts, \$4.87½. Dry-salt meats—Boxed shoulders, 4; extra short clear, \$3.8716; ribs, \$4.25; shorts, Receipts-Flour, 3,000 brls; wheat, 10,000 bu: corn. 147,000 bu: oats, 35,000 bu. Shipments-Flour, 2,000 bris; wheat, 6,000 bu; corn, 6,000 bu;

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 24.-Bacon quiet; deman poor. Cumberland cut, 28 to 20 lbs, 27s; short rlbs, 26 to 24 lbs, 27s 6d; long clear, light, 35 to 38 lbs, 28s; long clear, heavy, 40 to 45 lbs, 27s 6d short clear backs, light, 18 lbs, 28s 6d; clear middies, heavy, 45 to 50 lbs, 26s; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs, 28s. Shoulders—Square, 12 to 18 lbs, 28s. Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs, 38s. Tallow—Fine North American, 18s 9d. Beef—Extra Indian ness, 60s; prime mess, 60s. Pork-Prime due Western, 48s 9d; medium Western, 41s 3d. Lard dull; prime, 21s; refined, 21s; refined, in palls, 23s, Refrigerator beef, forequarter, 3%d; hindquarter, 6%d. Wheat-Spot quiet; demand poor. No. 2 red 6s 101ed; No. 1 California, 7s. BALTIMORE, Dec. 24.-Flour firm and unchanged. Receipts, 4,156 brls; exports, 50 brls. Wheat inactive. Spot. 2269214c; May. 8834 @89c Receipts, 8.850 bu; exports none. Southern by sample, 92693c. Southern on grade, 881/6921/40. Corn steady. Spot. 2814-628%c. Receipts, 169,177 bu; exports, 451,824 bu. Southern white and yellow corn. 2214-627%c. Oats steady to firm. No. 2 white, 25@26c. Receipts, \$2.287 bu; exports, 155,580 bu. Rye steady. No. 2 Western, 43@434c. Receipts, 42,822 bu; exports none. Hay steady; choice timothy, \$13,50@14. Grain freights very quiet and Best brands charcoal tin, IC, 10x14, 14x20, 12x12, \$5.50256; IX, 10x14, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IC, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IX, 10x14, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IC, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IC, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IX, 10x14, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IC, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IC, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IX, 10x14, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IC, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IX, 10x14, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IC, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IX, 10x14, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IC, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IC, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IX, 10x14, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IC, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IX, 10x14, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IC, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IX, 10x14, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IC, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IC, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IX, 10x14, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IC, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IX, 10x14, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IC, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IX, 10x14, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IC, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IX, 10x14, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IC, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IX, 10x14, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IC, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IX, 10x14, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IC, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.56; IX, 10x14, \$767.56; IX, 10x14, \$767.56; IX,

at \$4. Bacon dull at \$4.75. Whisky active; sales of 1,151 bris at \$1.18. Butter firm. Sugar steady. Eggs steady at 14%c. Cheese steady. TOLEDO, Dec. 24.—Wheat higher and dull. No. 2, cash and December, 95c; May, 96%c. Corn dull and steady. No. 2 mixed, 22c. Oats quiet. No. 2

mixed, 18c, Rye duil. No. 2, cash, 38c, Clover seed steady and higher. Prime, \$5,421/2. DETROIT, Dec. 24.—Wheat firmer. No. 2 red, 9214c; May, 94%c. Corn—No. 2, 21c. Oats—No. 2 white, 2014c. Rye—No. 2, 37c. Clover seed, \$5.50. Receipts—Wheat, 3,000 bu; corn, 9,500 bu; oats, Oils. WILMINGTON, Dec. 24.-Rosin-Strained, \$1.45; good, \$1.50. Spirits of turpentine dull at 24@24½c. Tar steady at \$1.05. Turpentine quiet and steady; hard, \$1.40; soft, \$1.90; virgin, \$1.80.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Petroleym dull. United closed 83c bid. Rosin steady. Strained, common to good, \$1.75. Spirits of turpentine steady at 26% OIL CITY, Dec. 24.-Credit balances, 93c. Cer tificates no bid. Shipments, 85,094 bris; runs SAVANNAH, Dec. 24.-Spirits of turpentine quiet at 25c. Rosin quiet. TOLEDO, Dec. 24.—Oil-North Lima, 61c; South Lima and Indiana, 56c. CHARLESTON, Dec. 24 .- Rosin firm. Turpen-

tine firm at 24% Butter, Eggs and Cheese. NEW YORK, Dec. 24.-Butter-Receipts, 2.86 ceipts, 5,777 packages; market quiet. State, large. 714@10c; small, 714@1014c; part skims, 214@7c; full skims, 214@3c. Eggs—Receipts, 2.998 packages; market steady. State and Pennsylvania, 21@24c;

Western, 15@23c PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24.—Batter firm and is good demand. Fancy Western creamery, 22c Eggs firm and 1c higher. Fresh near-by, 23c fresh Western, 22c. Cheese firm but quiet. CHICAGO, Dec. 24.-On the Produce Exchang to-day the butter market was firm. Creamery 15@21e; dairy, 10@17c. Cheese fam at 8%@9%c

Dry Goods. NEW YORK, Dec. 24.-At the best any de mand in the dry goods market was very irregular and for moderate quantities of any kind of goods. The completed sales, through deliveries on form after the opening and up to about 1:20 quiet, as usual at this peroid of the month and year, though in fact the month's sales are large-814481%c, opened at from 81½c to 81%@81%c, last year. Printing cloths dull at 2 9-16@2½c, and no sales reported of odd goods. There were sal

FALL RIVER, Dec. 24.-Print cloths dull 2 9-16c nominal. Cotton.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 24.-Cotton firm. Mid lling, 64c; low middling, 64c; good ordinary exports to France, 3,900 bales; to the continent, 3,650 bales; sales, 2,800 bales; stock, 460,483 bales. MEMPHIS, Dec. 24.-Cotton steady. Middling, 6%c. Receipts, 3,597 bales; shipments, 3,250 bales; stock, 174,499 bales; sales, 550 bales. NEW YORK, Dec. 24.-Cotton closed Middling uplands, 7%c; middling guif, 7%c. Sales, 100 bales.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Pig iron dull; Southern. \$11@12.25; Northern. \$11@13c. Copper firm; brokers', 113c; exchange, 113c. Lead continues strong; brokers', 2 75c; exchange, 3@8.10c. Tin firm; straits, 13c; plates steady. Speiter dull done in the minor metals, and 11.37c is at 4.15@4.25c. Spot lead 3c on 'Change. ST. LOUIS, Dec. 24.—Lead dull at 2.75@2.82\c. Spelter duil at 2,97\c.

LIVE STOCK. Cattle Scarce and Stronger-Hogs Active and Higher-Sheep Strong. INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 24.-Cattle-Receipts, 200

shipments light. There was a very light supply, and prices were stronger but not quotably higher. Shippers, medium to good. Shippers, common to fair .. Heifers, common to medium. Veals, good to choice ..... Bulls, good to choice ...

Hogs-Receipts, 4,000; shipments, 1,500. The market was active; with packers and shippers buying. Prices were usually 5c higher, closing Heavy packing and shipping ... Sheep and Lambs-Receipts, 300; shipments, 200. But little doing for want of stock. The market was strong on good grades. Sheep, good to choice ...... Sheep, common to medium.... Lambs, good to choice Wil.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.-There was a rattling good

there was a further advance of about 10c. Sales in which representative roads have re-were on a basis of \$3.60@4 for the commonest lots up to \$5@5.50 for choice to fancy grades, with the grangers, make the most favorable showgreat bulk of the transactions at \$4.30@5. There was a fair stocker and feeder trade at \$2.85@2.80. Canning cattle sold at low prices, but good butchering stuff closes stronger, a few prime helfers bringing \$4.15@4.25. Calves were active and fi.m. Texas cattle were active, and shared in the ad-In hogs prices ruled steady and unchanged, common to prime droves selling at \$3@3.35; sales were largely at \$3.20@3.30, with a good many packing hogs at \$3.10@3.15. There was an excellent demand for sheep, and prices were strong to 10c higher. Lambs sold at \$3.50@3.75 for feeders up to \$5@5.25 for choice flecks. Sheep were wanted at \$2.25@2.50 for very common up to \$2.65 for choice. Western fed sheep brought \$3@3.50. Receipts-Cattle, 6,500; hogs, 25,000; sheep, 7,000. ST. LOUIS, Dec. 24.—Cattle—Receipts, 1,060; shipments, 500. Native shipping steers, \$3.90@5; dressed beef and butchers steers, \$3.35@4.60; steckers and feeders, \$1.25@2.65; steers under 1,000 pounds, \$2.50@4.30; cows and heifers, \$1.25@

3.50; Texas and Indian cattle strong and 10c period of annual stock-taking have further higher; fed steers, \$2.50@4.05; grass steers, \$2.50@ checked the volume of wholesale business. 3.50; cows, \$1.50@2.60. Hogs-Receipts, 4,000; shipments, 2,000; market and light spring wheat receipts. Speculation was 63.25; heavy, \$2.9063.35. largely of a holiday character. No. 2 red, May.

874,687 13-16c, closed at 874c; December, 8946

Speculation was gazes; heavy, \$2.8063.35.

Sheep—Receipts, 100; shipments, 200; market dull but strong. Muttons, \$2.5063.85; cuils, \$1.256

2.50; Southwesterns, \$2.8563.75; lambs, \$365. No KANSAS CITY. Dec. 24.-Cattle-Receipts, Texas steers, \$2,50@3.75; Texas cows, \$1.65@2.75; native steers, \$3.90@4.95; native cows and helfers, \$1@3.55; stockers and feeders, \$2.15@3.90; bulls, Hogs-Receipts, 7,000; shipments, 100; market strong, 10c higher and active. Bulk of sales, \$3.20 @3.30; heavies, \$3.10@3.30; packers, \$3.15@3.40; mixed, \$3.20@3.35; lights, \$3.95@3.30; Yorkers, \$3.25 @3.30; pigs. \$2.40@3.25. Sheep Receipts, 560; shipments, 600; market strong, Lambs, \$2.25@4.75; muttons, \$1.40@3.25; no market to-morrow. NEW YORK, Dec. 24.-Beeves-Receipts, 12: trading. Cables quote American steers at 10% 11%c, dressed weight; sheep at 9@10c, dressed

weight: refrigerator beef at \$685c. No exports Calves Receipts, 15; market steady for yeals and grassers; Westerns weak. Veals, \$467.50; grassers. \$2.5063; fairly good Western calves, \$3.50. Sheep and Lambs-Receipts, 2,800; market slow for lambs; sheep steady. Sheep, \$2,50@2.15; lambs, \$4.25@5.75. Hogs-Receipts, 2,700: market steady at \$3,506 CINCINNATI, Dec. 24.—Hogs active and higher at \$2.60@3.40. Receipts, 1.700; shipments, 1,700. Cattle steady at \$2.25@4.50. Receipts, 500; ship ments, 400, Sheep-Spring, \$2.25@3.65. Receipts, 300; ship ments, 300. Lambs slow at \$3.25@4.85.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 24.-Cattle quiet and Hogs-Market active; choice packing and butch Sheep unchanged.

REAL-ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Fifteen Transfers, with a Total Con-

Instruments filed for record in the recorder' office of Marion county, Indiana, for the twentycorner of Market and Pennsylvania streets, Indianapolis, Suite 229, first office floor. The Lemcke. Telephone 1760:

Mathew T. Perry to John F. Stewart, Lot 3, in Block 5, Bruce Baker's addition..... \$1,000 Frank A. West to Amos C. Weaver, Lot 28, in Square 15, Lincoln Park addition. Nicholas McCarty et al. to Otto M. Jenkins, Lot 614, in McCarty's West Side-addition. Frank McCarty to Frank K. Sawyer, Lot 17, in Block 41, North Indianapolis...... Florence M. Burton to Anna E. Jenkins et al., part of Lot 9, in Block 4. Drake's addition, and part of Lot 2, in Square 32 .. August Langenberger, administrator, to Frederick Huff, part of the east half of the southwest quarter of Section 27, Township 15, Range 5..... Louisa Langenberger to same, part of the east half of the southwest quarter of Section 27, Township 15, Range 5... David Small to German-American Building Association, part of Lot 57. Davidson's second addition ..... William Cline, sr., to Samuel W. Miles, Lot 2:, North Euclid Place addition to Irvington Samuel W. Miles to Albert Cline, same lot Prudence A. McGregor to Margaret Bell Mc-Gregor, Lot 58, Gibson's subdivision, Square 23. Johnson's heirs' addition ..... Rose A. Gray to Mary A. Newell, Lot 2, Scheele's subdivision of S. A. Fletcher's east addition ... Isaac N. Smith to Mary E. Johnson and husband, lots Nos. 37 and 38, in block No. 34. North Indianapolis...... Mary E. Johnson to Isaac N. Smith and wife, Lot 40, in Block 18, North Indian-

Transfers, 15; consideration..... Building Permits.

Isaac F. Ruder, commissioner, to William

H. Newley, part of Lot 4. in Fletcher's subdivision of Outlot 54....

H. C. Atkins, frame dwelling, \$5216 North Meridian street, 34,344. Mrs. E. R. Templeton, frame addition to South Illinois street, \$600.

SETBACK BUSINESS

CAUSED BY THE BIG BANK FAIL-URES IN THE NORTHWEST.

Disappointing Reports of Trade Con ditions-Weekly Reports of Dun & Co. and Bradstreet.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.-R. G. Dun & Co. weekly review of trade to-morrow will, say The failure of two important backs, th second in size of business at carcago, a nd the oldest at St. Paul, with some others dependent on them, closes fot favorably a month which promised to end with only moderate commercial disasters. It does not lessen the effect of these failures that one was caused by enormous loans in aid of an electric railway and other concerns, and that the others appear to have resulted packages; market steady. Western creamery, 13 that the others appear to have resulted from heavy ventures in unsalable real estate. Since several thousand business men and depositors are for the time embarrassed as much as the speculators that caused the trouble, the breakdown is the reverse of hopeful at present, although i comes when money markets are well supplied and when no other serious effect in business is to be apprehended. Other important events of the week are failure of the billet and rail pools to find a basis for agreement, and the somewhat general discharge of hands or reduction of wages in the shoe manufacture. The holiday trade has been fair, but generally in articles of medium grade.

The fall in steel billets from over \$20 t about \$16 at Pitttsburg, and in steel rails from \$28 net at mills to \$25, less brokers' commissions, produces so great a change in other prices and conditions of business that the meeting held here this week for the purpose of reviving pools and fixing prices influences operations throughout the country. But no agreement was reached, and meanwhile contracts have been made covering the wants of most producers for three months and some for the whole year of 1897, and it is said that such large contracts have been made at \$15 at Pittsburg and \$17.50 at the East. Bessemer pig has declined to \$11.15 and grey forge to \$9.65 at Pittsburg, while bar and other finished products remain unchanged, though 100,000 bundles of cotton ties have been contracted for at 60 cents per bundle. The production

In the cotton manufacture there is fur ther decline in some staple goods and takings by Northern spinners are disappointingly light. Print cloths accumulate and do not advance. Raw cotton comes forward just as it did in other years when official and other stories of injuries ended in great crops. Sales of wool are restricted by the general conviction that prices asked by interior holders cannot be realized, and there is considerable disposition to unload speculative purchases at seaboard markets. Most manufacturers have more wool than they have orders, and others meet, as yet. no satisfactory demand for goods. Sales of wool were only 2,363,000 pounds at the three chief markets, against 5,924,300 for the same week last year. Wheat has grown a little stronger in spite of the disturbance of the Chicago market. Exports have been 1.471.443 bushels, flour included, for five days and 8,392,587 for four weeks, against 8,527. 959 for the same weeks last year, while from Western receipts are still small, amounting to 8,455,631 bushels in three weeks of the month, against 14,344,859 last year. The

volume of business, advances considered, is Payments through clearing houses have been for the week 25 per cent. less than daily average is 9.8 per cent. less than last year and 20.8 per cent, less than in 1892. Failures for the week have been 297 in the United States, against 322 last year and 44 in Canada, against 40 last year. The aggregate of gross earnings of all railroads in the United States reporting for the first half of December or a part thereof is \$12.015,126, a decrease of 4.5 per cent, compared with last year and of 11.4 per cent. compared with the corresponding time of 1892, the latest period of ordinary business prosperity with which comparisons can market for cattle to-day. Prices were strong, and | now be made. Of sections of the country ing. Southern and Southwestern roads report a small loss. In the other groups reports are as yet incomplete. All classes of roads report a decrease compared with both years with which comparison is made. Traffic on all roads has been far from satisfactory for several months, and as yet there is little indication of improvement, but the heavy losses in gross earnings reported by many roads is not entirely due to loss of traffic. The falling off in traffic has been greatest in the high-class freights and the loss in gross earnings is consequently larger than the loss in traffic.

Bradstreet's Weekly Review. NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Bradstreet's report to-morrow will say: The arrival of the holidays, the close of the year and the period of annual stock-taking have further Only few orders are being received and lines the distribution of merchandise has been smaller at a number of distributing Safe: Deposit: Vault New York City, unsettle confidence in commercial and banking circles. Very few salesmen remain on the road, but most of them are preparing to go out within a fortnight. The moderate trade revival which followed the presidential election has been disappointing, in that, aside from the Christmas demand, business has been more unsatisfactory for a month past than at a corresponding

period in many years.
The shake-up in the iron and steel prices is nearly complete, and quotations for Bessemer pig iron and for steel billets are down to the level of those for other staples. The billet pool has been patched up nominally Anxiety is felt in the iron and steel trade as to the uncertainty of the price of lake ore under the new combination to control that staple. Freer receipts of cotton tend to encourage high crop views and account for the reaction in price. Lard and petro-leum are also lower. Unchanged quotations are reported for wheat flour, sugar, pork and coffee, as well as for print cloths, although heavy stocks of the latter are having a depressing effect on the market and are likely to cause a restriction of output in the near future. Exports of wheat (flour included as wheat) from both coasts of the United States this week amount to 2,111,702 bushels, again \* 3,524,000 last week, 3,457,000 in the same week a year ago, 1,814,000 in the week

two years ago, 2,036,000 three years ago, and as compared with 2,917,000 bushels in the corresponding period of 1892. Exports of Indian corn this week held up well, the total amounting 3,179,000 bushels, as compared with 2.194,000 last week, 1.839,000 in the week one year ago, and with very much smaller totals in like weeks in three preceding years. throughout the United States this week, 32

There are 327 business failures reported less than last week and 11 more than in the corresponding week a gear ago. There are 45 business failures reported throughout the Dominion of Canada this week. against 39 last week and 30 in the week a year ago.

Bessemer Steel Trade.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 24.-The unsettled condition of the Bessemer steel trade is still affecting the iron and steel market, which in itself, has been bad enough. As was the case at last report, trade is slow and uncertain. In nearly all branches of the market the same complaint of few transactions, light demand and deferred orders is heard. The drop in prices of rails from \$28 to \$25 per ton has not resulted in any large business. Taking the iron and steel trade in general, the present situation is about that of several weeks ago, and there are few indications that things will be changed soon. The tin plate and sheet iron manufacturers, at their meeting here this week, reaffirmed former prices, which have not been sustained. This week billets have sold at \$16.25, although it is stated that even without a pool prices will not go much lower. Some pig iron producers are showing a disposition to cut prices for January delivery. The iron ore trade shows no life. It may be that the unfinished iron and steel trade early in the coming season will receive some benefit from the orders which have been placed for ship building.

Revenge. Philadelphia North American.

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